



HOWARD COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL
Wednesday, March 15, 2017

The Citizens' Advisory Council meeting commenced at 7:30 p.m. at the Northern District Community Room at Police Headquarters.

Present: Janet Bahouth, Thomas C. Beach III, William Brockett, Larry Buehler, Sandy Cederbaum, Johnny Cipolla, Lesley Flaim, Eileen Harrity, Adia Moore, Stephen Pidliskey, Timothy Pierce, Raghid Shourbaji, Susan Watkins, Nollie Wood Jr, Chief Gary Gardner, Lieutenant Tanya Riffle

Absent/Excused: Larry Aaronson, Vivian Bailey, Britany Gegor, Linda Lee Hickerson, Barb Mueller, Peter Newman, Dr. Lewis Saunders, Gary Weinberg

Guests: Jeff Kulik, Sgt. Jim Daly

Chairperson – Ms. Lesley Flaim

- Opened the meeting and reminded the Council that the meeting was being recorded.
- February minutes approved as distributed.

Chief's Report – Chief Gary Gardner

- **Heroin overdose related deaths**
 - Governor declared a state of emergency related to the crisis
 - Biggest benefit is communication between agencies, information can be shared between the fire dept., police dept. and hospitals
 - Narcan saves by HCPD officers in 2015 - 11, in 2016 - 25 and in 2017 - 2
 - Narcan training is available for anyone through the Health Department
- **Council Bill 9 - Sanctuary Bill**
 - County Executive and Councilman Weinstein, after veto override failed, held a press conference and will review the policies in Howard County
 - HCPD will also review the policies.
 - HCPD will work with Foreign Information Resource Network (FIRN) directly
- **Massage Legislation**
 - Local bill allowing officers to go into establishments and demand the massage certificates and other paperwork.
- **Central District Station**
 - Met with the Harpers Choice Village Board with Chief Butler last week
 - A Town Hall meeting is scheduled April 5th.
 - Received money from the county to work on selecting a consultant to look at redistricting and beat realignments in 2017
 - Completion would be 4-5 years due to funding



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- Police Memorial Ceremony on Thursday May 4th at 11:30 am at the Northern District Station
- Coffee with a Cop on April 6th at 9:00 am at the Howard Community College
- Appreciation breakfast with Hope Baptist Church in Laurel on February 18th was well attended
- Partnered with the African American Roundtable for a public safety event at Howard Community College on March 6th, it was well attended
- Kick off the Youth Advisory Council, applications will be going out for volunteers from different high schools
- New staff member, Seth Hoffman in the Public Affairs Office, specializes in video work. He has posted a few videos on social media for the department.
- Academy 41 will be working with Rebuilding Together for community policing. They have selected a family in the county to do home improvement work-video available on social media
- Video interviews with CAC members suggested to promote the CAC and also to celebrate the 25th anniversary

Human Trafficking presentation

Sgt. Daly of the V&N Division came and presented members with a brief overview of Human Trafficking in Howard County.

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- Received nominations for the Vollenick Award – voted on and Marc Fineman will be the recipient
- The 25th anniversary of the CAC
 - Funding for the celebration
 - Smaller celebration but with social media to bring in awareness of the CAC
 - Voted on to make CAC anniversary celebration the primary agenda item for the next meeting

The meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for April 19th at 7:30 p.m. in the Northern District Community Room at Police Headquarters.

Approved: LF